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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application )  
Wallajapet, et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/643,979 )  
Filed: August 22, 2000 )  
Title: Tissue Products Having Increased )  
Absorbency )  
Examiner: Mark Halpern )  
Art Unit: 1731 )  
Deposit Acct. No.: 04-1403 )  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003, please amend the above-captioned applications as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on p. 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on pg. 7 of this paper.